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In Senate Chamber Thursday

March 24, 1988

Senate called to Order by the President.

Prayer by Pastor Bruce Meyer of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Augusta.

PASTOR MEYER: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein. Almighty God to whom we all belong, we humble ourselves before You at the beginning of day, mindful that we draw life and breath from You and that what we experience in each day that is truly good and right and satisfying has its source in You.

Thank You for the love that created us and that grace that sustains us. Lord as we go about the work set before us this day, grant us the grace of respect for one another and with it the spirit of doing together what we cannot do separately for the sake of others. Thank You for calling us to be leaders of Your people, but keep us mindful oh Lord that rightful leaders are always servants of Your purposes. As we come to the end of this day, may we hear You say well done good and faithful servant. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Yesterday.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE House Papers

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$12,000,000 for Sewerage Facilities Construction"

H.P. 1883 L.D. 2575

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$31,800,000 to Finance Construction and Capital Improvements on the Campuses of the University of Maine System"

H.P. 1884 L.D. 2576

Come from the House referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS and ORDERED PRINTED. in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Expand the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Program"

H.P. 1882 L.D. 2574

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which was referred to the Committee on TAXATION and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

COMMITTEE REPORTS House Leave to Withdraw

The following Leave to Withdraw Reports shall be placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Rule 15 of the Joint Rules:

Bill "An Act to Limit the Availability of Diet Drugs to Minors"

H.P. 1628 L.D. 2223 Bill "An Act to Ensure Proper Payment of Fringe Benefit Contributions for Construction Workers" H.P. 1631 L.D. 2226

Ought to Pass in New Draft
The Committee on AGRICULTURE on Bill "An Act to Provide for a State Trademark for Maine Products" H.P. 1608 L.D. 2199

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under same title.

H.P. 1880 L.D. 2572

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill in NEW DRAFT PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

READ Report ACCEPTED, Which was and concurrence.

The Bill in NEW DRAFT READ ONCE.

The Bill in NEW DRAFT LATER TODAY ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on AGRICULTURE on Bill "An Act Relating to Horse Racing and Racing Facilities" (Emergency)

H.P. 1781 L.D. 2434

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Signed:

Senators:

MATTHEWS of Kennebec TWITCHELL of Oxford BLACK of Cumberland

Representatives:

TARDY of Palmyra HUSSEY of Milo PARENT of Benton BRAGG of Sidney NUTTING of Leeds

PINES of Limestone ALIBERTI of Lewiston MAHANY of Easton SHERBURNE of Dexter

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Representative:

GLIDDEN of Houlton

Comes from the House the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Which Reports were READ.

Senator BLACK of Cumberland moved to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Cumberland, Senator Black.

Senator BLACK: Thank you Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. Just an explanation as to the reason for this Bill. As you know, we have had several bills on racing here in the Legislature in the last two or three years. This is an accumulation of Scarborough Downs and the Lewiston Raceway coming to an agreement. This is the Bill we have come up with. Perhaps we will have a little peace in the racing world and we can continue to have that source of income to go into our General Fund. What this Bill actually does is take more out of the gross and divide up more with the horsemen and the commission. Thank you.

On motion by Senator BLACK of Cumberland, the prity OUGHT TO PASS Report was ACCEPTED, in Majority concurrence.

The Bill READ ONCE.

The Bill LATER TODAY ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

SECOND READERS

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

House

Bill "An Act to Improve the Services Provided to the Members and Retirees of the Maine State Retirement System" (Emergency)

H.P. 1763 L.D. 2416 Bill "An Act to Fund and Implement Collective Bargaining Agreements with Certain Maine Vocational-Technical Institute System Employees Represented by the Maine State Employees Association" (Emergency)

H.P. 1845 L.D. 2527 Which were READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE

ENGROSSED, in concurrence.

House As Amended

Bill "An Act to Amend the Law Allowing the Town of York to Repair Certain Private Roads" H.P. 1604 L.D. 2195

(C "A" H-512)

Bill "An Act to Determine the Extent and Impact Unemployed Persons No Longer Eligible for Unemployment Insurance Upon the State of (Emergency)

H.P. 1674 L.D. 2293 (C "A" H-511)

Which were READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, as Amended, in concurrence.

Senate

Bill "An Act to Provide for Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds" (Emergency) S.P. 910 L.D. 2376

Bill "An Act to Provide a Special Exemption to Bangor Pre-Release Center Employees for Service Retirement Benefits"

S.P. 926 L.D. 2437

Bill "An Act to Make Certain Personnel Records Maintained by the Bureau of Human Resources Available to the Bureau of Employee Relations"

S.P. 972 L.D. 2581 Which were READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act Relating to Sentences with Intensive Supervision"

S.P. 728 L.D. 1987

(C "A" S-353)

Bill "An Act to Expand the Membership and Clarify the Role of the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations" (Emergency)

S.P. 790 L.D. 2078 (C "A" S-354)

Which were READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, as Amended.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and

Specially Assigned matter:
Bill "An Act to Revise the Energy
Standards Act" Buildina

S.P. 958 L.D. 2539

(S "B" S-352)

Tabled - March 23, 1988, by Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

Pending - PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED NON-CONCURŘENCE

(In Senate, March 17, 1988, PASSED T0 BE ENGROSSED.)

(In House, March 21, 1988, Bill and Accompanying

Papers INDEFINITELY POSTPONED in NON-CONCURRENCE.)
(In Senate, March 23, 1988, RECEDED. Senate
Amendment "B" (S-352) READ and ADOPTED.)
Which was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, as Amended in

NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease Senate called to order by the President.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:
PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-concurrent Matter

Resolve, Authorizing the Sale of Certain Public Lands Located in the City of Portland (Emergency) S.P. 969 L.D. 2577

In Senate, March 23, 1988, referred to Committee on ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES and ORDERED PRINTED.

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT in NON-CONCURRENCE.

The Senate RECEDED and CONCURRED.

Joint Order

The following Joint Order: ORDERED, that the Senate concurring, that H.P. 1855, L.D. 2538, Bill, "AN ACT to Recodify the Laws on Municipalities and Counties" and all its accompanying papers be recalled from the Governor's desk to the House.

Comes from the House READ and PASSED. Which was READ and PASSED, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following: COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ought to Pass in New Draft
The Committee on LABOR on Bill "An Act Increase the Minimum Wage"

H.P. 1431 L.D. 1948

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under same title.

H.P. 1887 L.D. 2582

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill in NEW DRAFT PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Which Report was READ.

On motion by Senator WEBSTER of Franklin, supported by a Division of at least one-fifth of the Members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is ACCEPTANCE of the Committee Report.

A vote of Yes will be in favor of ACCEPTANCE.

A vote of No will be opposed.

Is the Senate ready for the question? The Doorkeepers will secure the Chamber.

The Secretary will call the Roll. ROLL CALL

YEAS:

Senators ANDREWS, BALDACCI, BERUBE, BLACK, BUSTIN, CLARK, COLLINS, DILLENBACK, DOW, DUTREMBLE, EMERSON, ERWIN. ESTES, GILL, GOULD. KANY. KERRY, LUDWIG, MATTHEWS. MAYBURY, PEARSON, PERKINS, RANDALL, THERIAULT, TUTTLE, TWITCHELL, USHER, WHITMORE, THE PRESIDENT - CHARLES P.

NAYS:

Senators BRAWN, CAHILL, SEWALL,

WEBSTER

ABSENT:

Senators BRANNIGAN, GAUVREAU

29 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 4 having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators being absent, the Committee Report ACCEPTED, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, the Bill in NEW DRAFT READ TWICE and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent forthwith to the Engrossing Department.

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease Senate called to order by the President.

THE PRESIDENT: At this time, the Chair pleased to interrupt the proceedings in recognition of Agriculture Day. In the rear of the Chamber, note that we have a number of young individuals representing the various activities in Agriculture. The Chair would like to introduce the following individuals and their escorts:

The Maine State Grange Queen, Amy Spaulding, escorted by the Senator from Oxford. Senator Erwin.

The Maine Potato Queen, Kim Bard, escorted by the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Theriault.

The Maine Blueberry Queen, Dawn Moody, escorted by the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Sewall.

The Maine Sea Goddess Queen, Robin escorted by the Senator from Knox, Senator Brawn.

The Maine Farm Bureau Queen, Cheryl Larrabee, escorted by the Senator from Waldo, Senator Gould.

The Future Farmers of America President, Frank

Winslow, escorted by the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Collins.

The Senator from Oxford, Senator Erwin will escort the Maine State Grange Queen, Amy Spaulding,

to the Rostrum so that she may address the Senate.

AMY SPAULDING: On behalf of all the Commodity Queens I would like to say that we are very proud to be here taking part in Agriculture Day at the Legislature. I think that it is important that young people be involved in the promotion of agriculture so it will remain one of Maine's top priorities in the state. Since agriculture is Maine's second largest industry, it proves that agriculture is on the up swing and deserves the emphasis and priority being given.

Again, I would like to thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to recognize agriculture and its promoters.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair, on behalf of the entire Senate, would like to express our appreciation for your attendance here today.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE Joint Resolution

The Following Joint Resolution: H.P. 1889

JOINT RESOLUTION IN TRIBUTE TO AGRICULTURE: AMERICA'S HEARTBEAT ON AGRICULTURAL DAY

WHEREAS, "the people are the most important element in a nation; the spirits of the land and grain are next"; and

WHEREAS, the land ungrudgingly yields abundance and asks for nothing more in return than diligence;

WHEREAS, one fifth of our national work force are farmers in the business of food and fiber production for world markets, accounting for 18% of the gross national product; and

WHEREAS, the Maine farmer provides \$400,000,000 total farm income and is credited with a \$2,000,000,000 contribution to Maine's economy; and

WHEREAS, the Maine agrarian society makes a pivotal contribution to the cultural and social foundations of our rural way of life and in turn to the very heartbeat of America; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That it is appropriate for the 113th Legislature of the great and sovereign State of Maine to pause in its deliberations to honor Maine farmers and innovators who have contributed so much to the betterment of our State and to pledge its support and encouragement, and urge the youth of Maine to pursue the growing opportunities for careers in today's technologically advanced agricultural industry; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources in token of the esteem to which those in this vital field are held.

Comes from the House READ and ADOPTED. Which was READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator ERWIN of Oxford, RECESSED until 5:00 this evening.

After Recess Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORTS

House Ought Not to Pass

The following Ought Not to Pass Report shall be placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Rule 15 of the Joint Rules:

Bill "An Act to Provide Additional Funds for the Maintenance and Repair of Montpelier in Thomaston"

H.P. 1500 L.D. 2050

Leave to Withdraw

The following Leave to Withdraw Reports shall be placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Rule 15 of the Joint Rules:

Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Uniform Accounting and Auditing Practices Act for Community Agencies"

H.P. 1518 L.D. 2071

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds for Mapping of Sand and Gravel Aquifers"

H.P. 1558 L.D. 2122

Bill "An Act to Enhance the Ability of the State Respond to the Informational Needs of Maine Businesses"

H.P. 1658 L.D. 2268

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on AGRICULTURE on Bill "An Act to Improve the Regulation of Pesticides'

H.P. 1557 L.D. 2121

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-516).

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-516)

READ and ACCEPTED, Which Report was in concurrence.

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-516) READ.

On motion by Senator TUTTLE of York, Senate Amendment "A" (S-356) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-516) READ.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from York. Senator Tuttle.

Senator TUTTLE: Thank you Mr. President. this amendment does is it provides that any agreement concerning right-of-way spraying must be negotiated in good faith, written and signed by all parties. This is in reference to a town in my district, it is mutually agreed upon by all members present so that the a spray agreement with Central Maine Power could be agreed upon. I've checked with both chairmen and we are all set.

On further motion by same Senator, Se Amendment "A" (S-356) to Committee Amendment Senate (H-516) ADOPTED.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-561) as Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-356), thereto ADOPTED in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Under suspension of the Rules, READ A SECOND TIME ΒE PASSED ENGROSSED. T0 as Amended in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on EDUCATION on Bill "An Act to Create a Uniform School Unit Budgeting Process" H.P. 1740 L.D. 2386

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-517).

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-517)

Which Report was READ and ACCEPTED, concurrence.

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-517) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

The Bill as Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

The Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES on Bill "An Act to Add a Hemophiliac to the Committee to Advise the Department of Human Services on AIDS"

H.P. 1771 L.D. 2424

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-514).

Comes from the House, with the Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-514).

Which Report was READ and ACCEPTED, concurrence.

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-514) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

The Bill as Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Ought to Pass in New Draft under New Title The Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act to Allow Plowing of Private or Public Ways or Roads by Municipalities"

H.P. 1541 L.D. 2096

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under New Title Resolve, Creating the Commission to Study the Subject of Private Ways and Private Roads (Emergency)

H.P. 1886 L.D. 2580

Comes from the House, with the Bill RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY.

Which was RULED NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Make the Language of the Constitution Gender Neutral

H.P. 1432 L.D. 1949

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under same title.

H.P. 1877 L.D. 2571

Signed:

Senators:

TUTTLE of York

BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

ROTONDI of Athens LACROIX of Oakland

ANTHONY of South Portland

CARROLL of Gray

BOUTILIER of Lewiston

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not to Pass. Signed:

Senator:

GOULD of Waldo

Representatives:

HUSSEY of Milo STROUT of Windham

WENTWORTH of Wells

BICKFORD of Jay

LOOK of Jonesboro

Comes from the House the Majority OUGHT TO PASS IN NEW DRAFT Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill in NEW DRAFT PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-521).

Which Reports were READ.

Senator TUTTLE of York moved to ACCEPT Majority OUGHT TO PASS IN NEW DRAFT Report, the concurrence.

Senator GOULD of Waldo requested a Division.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion of Senator TUTTLE of York, to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS IN NEW DRAFT Report.

A Division has been requested.

Will all those Senators in favor of the motion of Senator TUTTLE of York, to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS IN NEW DRAFT Report, please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

Will all those opposed please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

21 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator TUTTLE of York, to ACCEPT the Majority OUGHT TO PASS IN NEW DRAFT Report, in concurrence, PREVAILED.

The Bill in NEW DRAFT READ ONCE.

House Amendment "A" (H-521) READ and ADOPTED, in

The Bill in NEW DRAFT TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT on Bill "An Act to Amend the Rules of Construction to Permit Use of Gender-Neutral Language in Maine Statutes"

H.P. 1449 L.D. 1960

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-515).

Sianed:

Senators:

TUTTLE of York

BALDACCI of Penobscot

Representatives:

LACROIX of Oakland

CARROLL of Gray

ROTONDI of Athens

ANTHONY of South Portland

BOUTILIER of Lewiston

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senator:

GOULD of Waldo

Representatives:

HUSSEY of Milo STROUT of Windham

LOOK of Jonesboro

WENTWORTH of Wells

BICKFORD of Jay

Comes from the House the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-515).

Which Reports were READ.

On motion by Senator TUTTLE of York, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report was ACCEPTED, in

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-515) READ and ADOPTED, in concurrence.

The Bill as Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

> Senate Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on TRANSPORTATION Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study Secondary Transportation Corridors in Maine S.P. 816 L.D. 2136

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass. Signed:

Senator:

CAHILL of Sagadahoc

Representatives:

REEVES of Pittston

MILLS of Bethel

CALLAHAN of Mechanic Falls

SOUCY of Kittery

SALSBURY of Bar Harbor

MACOMBER of South Portland

MCPHERSON of Eliot

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-355).

Signed:

Senators:

DOW of Kennebec

THERIAULT of Aroostook

Representatives:

POULIOT of Lewiston

STROUT of Corinth

MOHOLLAND of Princeton

Which Reports were READ.

Senator DOW of Kennebec moved to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Sagadahoc, Senator Cahill.

Senator CAHILL: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I would like to take a minute today to talk with you a little bit about why I signed the Majority Report of this legislation. If you look at L.D. 2136, it is a Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Study Secondary Corridors in the State of Maine. But, if you go into the body of the legislation you find that actually it suggests specifically examining Route 9. Route 9 is a primary corridor, but far be it for me to suggest the germaneness of this legislation over the powerful Presiding Officer of the Senate. But, Route 9 is a

primary corridor. Additionally, last year this Legislature passed a bill to do a work plan on Route 9 and that plan is in fact underway and is due to be completed in July The Bill also suggests that in addition to Route 9 we look at various connector roads, such as Routes 179, 180, 181, 191, 192 and 193. Now the traffic counts of the Routes that I have just listed range from seventy vehicles per day to two hundred vehicles per day. Compared with other highway vehicles per day. Compared with other highway problems that we have in this state, such as Route 302, which has up to twenty thousand vehicles a day or Route 1, my favorite of course, which has over twenty thousand vehicles a day. So, with the limited resources that this state has I suggest that we prioritize a bit and I don't believe secondary corridors with the small traffic counts are a priority.

This Bill also suggests that we look at connector road between Eastport and Route 9. Last year I sponsored legislation that resulted in a corridor Commission that will study from Route 1 in Brunswick all the way to Eastport. Of course Eastport joins up in Calais actually with Route 9. Additionally, the good Senator from Aroostook, Senator Theriault, sponsored legislation and it passed, it was called Capital Improvement Planning Commission, it studied aeronautics, marine ports, public transportation, bridges and highways and it looks at the long term transportation needs of the state and in particular in the area that we just talked about. I feel that there is a worthwhile aspect of this legislation, the suggestion that we look between a connection between Searsport and Route 9, and I believe that is a very worthwhile aspect of the Bill. However, I don't think that one aspect justifies the legislation. It is for these reasons, Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, that I am opposed to this legislation.

Senator CAHILL of Sagadahoc requested a Division. THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Kennebec, Senator Dow.

Senator DOW: Thank you Mr. President. President, men and women of the Senate. Just to give you a little more information. First on the primary and secondary, a lot of people are a little confused in their own mind which is primary and which is secondary, so in this particular case, I think it is germane because primary to most people mean 95, the Turnpike, and anything else that carries a large load. But, other than that, the good Senator had mentioned that it is primarily to cover some of the connecting roads between Eastport and Searsport. When I was on the Economic Development Tour in that area two years ago, every place we stopped and every place that we went the transportation primarily on Route 9 and those two ports were the main topic of conversation. I think it is the Legislature's business to look at those types of things for Economic Development reasons. I hope that you will I hope that you will vote for this Bill. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Cumberland, Senator Usher.

Senator USHER: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I would like to pose a question through the Chair to any member of the Committee. I was looking at the signatures on this Committee Report and most of the members of the Committee in the southern part of the state have signed against it and I was wondering if this was a study just for northern Maine?

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Usher. has posed a question through the Chair

to any Senator who may care to respond.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec,

Senator Dow.

Senator DOW: Thank you Mr. President. President, men and women of the Senate. Primarily, it is a study for the Route 9 area from 95 to Route and the connecting roads to Searsport and Eastport.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion of Senator DOW of Kennebec, to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report.

A Division has been requested.

Will all those Senators in favor of the motion of Senator DOW of Kennebec, to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

Will all those opposed please rise in their

places and remain standing until counted.

19 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator DOW of Kennebec, to ACCEPT the Minority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report, PREVAILED.

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-355) READ and ADOPTED. The Bill in NEW DRAFT TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

SECOND READERS

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

House

Bill "An Act Relating to Horse Racing and Racing Facilities" (Emergency)

H.P. 1781 L.D. 2434

Bill "An Act to Provide for a State Trademark for Maine Products"

H.P. 1880 L.D. 2572

Which were READ A SECOND TIME and PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, in concurrence.

ENACTORS

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported truly and strictly engrossed the following:

An Act to Capture Sales Tax Revenues Manufactured Housing Purchased Outside the State S.P. 888 L.D. 2300

(C "A" S-344)

An Act to Revise the Laws Concerning Cost Sharing for Maintenance of Railroad Grade and Highway Bridge

H.P. 1750 L.D. 2399

An Act to Require Audit Review of the Bureau of Capitol Security in 1989

H.P. 1811 L.D. 2479

An Act to Provide for Identification and of School Bus Purchase Reimbursement Application Funds

H.P. 1858 L.D. 2543

An Act to Assist Agricultural Employers Complying with Federal Hazard Communication Rules H.P. 1859 L.D. 2545

Which were PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Charitable Suppliers of Medical Equipment

H.P. 1451 L.D. 1962 (C "A" H-495)

On motion by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot, placed the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending on ENACTMENT.

An Act to Replace the Sales Tax with an Excise Tax on Jet Fuel Used by Turbine-Powered Aircraft Providing Commercial Air Service in Maine

H.P. 1470 L.D. 1981 (C "A" H-496)

On motion by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot, placed the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending ENACTMENT.

An Act to Correct Inequities in the Maine State Retirement System

S.P. 960 L.D. 2548 (H "A" H-507)

On motion by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot, placed the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pendina ENACTMENT.

An Act to Create a Single Point of Contact for the Operators of Commercial Vehicles

S.P. 796 L.D. 2093

(H "A" H-498 to C

S-332)

placed on On motion by Senator DOW of Kennebec, the SPECIAL HIGHWAY TABLE, pending ENACTMENT.

An Act to Ensure Family Medical Leave in the State

H.P. 1851 L.D. 2534

(S "A" S-347)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Sewall.

Senator SEWALL: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. We again are talking about the parental leave, Family Medical Leave Bill in the State. I feel that I have to bring up some points that haven't been brought up in this debate before. It is so frustrating to be involved with small business and small business being continually hurt by those of us here who are forcing mandates on them. I have never voted to mandate anything and I stood here and debated against these mandates on business that government chooses to force, because whenever you mandate one thing you ruin the flexibility of a benefit that the company might be able to work out and give their employees. If you mandate, that have to give chiropractic services, then perhaps that company can't give dental and maybe the employees would prefer to have it. You can't mandate a company spending more than they make or the company goes out of business.

All of us during election times argue that small business is the backbone of the country, we all support small business. Well you have a really good chance to support small business today. When the President of the United States appointed me as one of his delegates to the White House Conference on Small Business, there were business people from all over the United States, there were thousands of them, and we all worked on the two priorities that small business had. The first one, an overwhelming one, had to do with liability problems. And, as we know having to do with product liability and with joint and several liability which had the deep pocket effect. Whoever has the money, pays, regardless of how responsible they were for what happened. That was number one, clearly number one and we dealt with that. The number two concern was the Bill that we are dealing with here today. They say in the Bill, well that is okay, we are taking care of small business because we have a limit of twenty-five people. We let people out if they are under twenty-five employees, remember that we did something along those lines awhile ago and then we decided that we would make small business go along with it anyway. But, let's talk about the companies, specifically who you are hitting now. So, I am talking about companies and I don't thing any of you can say a large company are those that have twenty to forty-nine employees in the state of Maine. For instance, in Kennebec there are two hundred and three of them. You are going to get them. In Penobscot, there are two hundred and eighty-one companies in this category. In Washington County, where we think there isn't any business at all, there are forty. look at how they break down as to business. In agriculture, forestry and fishing there are twenty-seven companies that will be hurt by this. In construction there are one hundred and fifty-five, in manufacturing there are two hundred and sixty-four. In transportation and public utilities there are one hundred and thirty-five. In wholesale trade there are one hundred and ninety-seven. In retail trade. where we already have given them a big mandate about minimum wage, there are seven hundred and thirty-two businesses that are small businesses, that are not exempt under this Bill. Finance, insurance and real estate, one hundred and fifty-four and services four hundred and seven. Is this something that everybody else in the nation does? Oh no, only four other states have a private sector family medical leave law, Minnesota. Oregon, Rhode Island and Tennessee. Public opinion. Has everyone really thought this was a great deal. Well, the public opinion poll shows that most people, I think it was fifty-four percent, did think that businesses should provide medical family leaves. But they also said that government should not dictate those policies to these businesses that something should be worked out there. So, public opinion, although they think they should have it, isn't exactly saying that we should mandate it on them.

Let's get down to what business is all about. Cost. No one has any idea what this Bill is going to cost, no idea whatsoever, or how many people it is going to hurt. For those of you I read you all the figures, for those of you who thought that small business was excluded from it. Well, they are not. I did not attend this hearing, but as I understand there wasn't a great outcry of people saying that they aren't given leave, and they were fired and all that sort of thing. Small business people did show up and said it would be tough for them, especially for those who have employees who work several different positions at the same time, although most companies work those things out for themselves.

There is another problem with cost that I don't think you have seen which will hit that small business when someone is gone for eight weeks. Let's say that someone works for employer A and they leave employer A to take this temporary job perhaps hoping to get a permanent position and they finish out their requirement for their unemployment with this employer who hired someone for eight weeks and they finish out that term that would give them unemployment and then they leave. Now, remember we passed a Bill awhile ago here that said the last employers experience rating pays for that unemployment compensation. So, that small business who had to hire someone for eight weeks, because it happened to be the end of the cycle that the employee then qualified for unemployment insurance. That small employer will then have to pick up the cost of unemployment for that employee who was there as a temporary. So all things put together here today, we have a choice, we can sock it to small business again and maybe hope that they go away or that we just have big business, or we can really do something for them. The number two nationally priority and we can kill this Bill.

Senator SEWALL of Lincoln moved the INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT of the Bill and Accompanying Papers.

At the request of Senator DUTREMBLE of York, the Committee Report was READ.

Senator DUTREMBLE of York requested a Division.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Dutremble.

Senator DUTREMBLE: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. The Family Leave Bill is something that we discussed in Committee at length and it is not something that we took lightly when it came before us, simply because we did understand that it would deal with businesses and it would also deal with employees. When the Bill was first introduced and it was first presented to the members of the Committee, a lot of us felt that it was much too cumbersome and liberal and it was not acceptable. At first it called for eighteen weeks of leave and it called for the benefits to be paid and it was also a provision that included all employers not just the employers of twenty-five or more employees. We worked on that at some length and twelve of us were able to come out with a pretty good report, because of all the work that we did and because I think that a lot of us felt that we shouldn't force people to choose between their families and their jobs in a time of crisis. That is exactly what this Bill prevents. Many times it happens that a person at home, they have a serious illness and would have to choose between his job or going home and taking care of a sick person. We

don't think that anybody should be forced to be put in that position. It is ironic that throughout the debate and information that was given to us, we were told on countless occasions that employers do this already in some instances and a lot of instances. must say that we were encouraged by the fact that there were a lot of employers who already did this with their employees. To us it was kind of puzzling why they would say that they were already doing it, but with their next wind say that we can't do it because it would cost them. We couldn't understand why it wouldn't cost them if they did it but it would cost them if we passed a much stricter and conservative bill that we are passing here today. The reason is simple, there is no cost. There is no cost to this Bill. We have allowed the employee to take up to eight weeks, we have also allowed in this Bill the provision that the employer can still talk to their employees and say you can take less than eight weeks, if they both agree to it. An employer could go to an employee and say, look I would really find it very difficult for you to leave here for the full eight weeks and I really need you for three, is there anyway that you can work this out. Well, you know a lot of you believe that employers are good employers. well I also believe that employees are good employees and they are practical and so where there is eight weeks provision in this Bill, we also hope that employers and employees can get together and find a solution if there is a problem with an employer and employee that any more or less time that they can work it out. But, as far as the cost, there is not cost to this. We took the benefits out, an employee doesn't get paid and as far as the unemployment problem that the good Senator from Lincoln, Senator Sewall, talked about she may or may not be right. If the employer would have done that in the first place, we are talking about employers that would have done it anyway, they would have the same problem. But, if they wouldn't allow the person to take the time off and the person did and they would fire that person, well I think under Maine law they would be covered under unemployment. They would have to . as a full time employee, and not for the eight weeks. I think that was brought up many times during our Committee, so there really wasn't any difference as to what is happening now. Why is the Bill here? Well, the Bill is not here for those good employers that have the programs now. As as matter of fact, the reason we have the eight weeks is because a lot of the employers down there said that they had eight weeks, ten weeks and some had twelve weeks and a few have six weeks, but we were also told that some employers didn't do this and we were told about cases where some employees were penalized. We were actually told about one particular case and there were more than one, but one particular case where an employer actually called the Human Rights Commission and asked them if it was all right to fire a woman, because the woman wanted to go home because her child was going to die within the next few weeks. There was an actual question asked to the Human Rights Commission. Can you believe that? It is beyond comprehension how anybody can have the courage to do something like that. That is why we need the Bill. Not for the good employers, but for those who would abuse the fact that they have a power like this. So, no Senator and Senators, we don't want to mandate to business anymore than we have to and I really don't consider this a mandate because we are able to work with business and with all the members of the Committee, a good Bill that we could support. That is why it came out of the Committee like that. I would encourage you to support this

Bill today and send a message out that yes we do support both employers and employees in this state.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Lincoln, Senator Sewall.

Senator SEWALL: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. Just so that people will know, those people that I mentioned in this list, those thousands of Maine companies who have to have this forced upon them, it really didn't cost them anything. Whenever you mandate anything it never costs anything. None of these benefits we mandated and put in health insurance policies cost us anything. Just to make sure that those people know who did it to them.

Senator SEWALL of Lincoln requested a Roll Call. THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Franklin, Senator Webster.

Senator WEBSTER: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. Tonight I want to talk about the Committee process and I want to commend the good Senator from York for bringing to our attention the Committee vote. I understand what happened in the Committee process. We all know how the system works. One of the faults with the legislative process is the fact that we get involved in the Committee's and we work and try to come to compromise. The problem is, when you have a terrible bill and you make it worse, it is still bad. I would much prefer to be debating today the original bill, because I don't think it would have a chance.

Unfortunately, since the Committee and the Committee process works the way it does, we went down where the Committee meets and we discussed this issue and we compromised. We came out with the Committee 52port which was twelve to one which, essentially, has iced the issue and we are going to be passing this Bill today. I am not voting for it. I commend the good Senator from Lincoln, Senator Sewall for her comments. I do believe that it is a mandate. It is unneeded legislation. It is like last year when we had other bills and I stood on this Senate floor and I said where is the human cry for this bill. There is none. There is absolutely no human cry for this legislation. Unfortunately, we have compromised and now we have something that the majority of the Committee supports so we are stuck with it. I still say a terrible bill which ends up being worse is still not good. I am opposing this today and I urge Members of the Senate to do the same.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Dutremble.

Senator DUTREMBLE: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I would like to pose a question to anyone who would like to answer. Are we having a roll call on the Parental Leave Bill or on health benefits and everything else we have done?

THE PRESIDENT: The Senator from York, Senator Dutremble, has posed a question through the Chair to any Senator who may care to respond.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Sewall.

Senator SEWALL: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. I suppose we are having a vote on philosophy and mandates in general, but we are actually voting on this Bill which is just one more mandate.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

from Cumberland, Senator Clark.

Senator CLARK: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. President, men and women of the Senate. It seems to me that if we were to pass legislation in the State of Maine the genesis of which is hue and cry and not recognized need, that it would be a sorry day for the

Maine Legislature. And those who find fault with the legislative process which encourages and has historically supported resolution of issues before legislative committees and labels that as fault, then perhaps we ought to re-examine the purpose for which we sought these public offices of prominence and responsibility.

L.D. 1984 in its original form is not a glib piece of legislation, but a piece of legislation which intended and attempted to recognize the changing role of families and the responsibilities of families within the working world today. I commend the Joint Standing Committee on Labor for reporting out a bill which is far superior and meets the needs of all members of the economic world in the State of Maine, or the economy of the State more accurately. Company policies in Maine vary widely and this Bill attempts to address the needs of both employer and employee at those times of family crisis and need, whether caring for children or siblings or elderly There are collective bargaining contracts across the state which provide for some of the benefits that are utilized today, but this Bill provides only up to eight weeks of unpaid leave with no fringe benefits, recognizing for all of us that there are times in our lives, as illustrated by the example from the Senator from York, Senator Dutremble, where our greatest need is to be caring for those who require company, support and just plain yes, care. I encourage you to support not only the Committee and the legislative process, but in so doing recognize that Maine today is not the historical Maine and even some other states of yesteryear when employees were sometimes even at the mercy of their employer. For Maine today recognizes that it is a mutually beneficial relationship between employer and employee and this Bill provides for an opportunity for that recognition to be formalized within the Legislative process. Thank you Mr. President.

On motion by Senator SEWALL of Lincoln, supported by a Division of at least one-fifth of the Members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion of Senator SEWALL of Lincoln to and Accompanying INDEFINITELY POSTPONE the Bill Papers.

A vote of Yes will be in favor of INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

A vote of No will be opposed.

Is the Senate ready for the question? The Doorkeepers will secure the Chamber.

At this time, the Chair noted the absence of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Brannigan, and further excused the same Senator from today's Roll Call votes.

Senator WEBSTER of Franklin who would have voted YEA requested and received Leave of the Senate to pair his vote with Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot who would have voted NAY.

The Secretary will call the Roll.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Senators BRAWN, CAHILL, DILLENBACK,

NAYS:

EMERSON, GOULD, LUDWIG, PEARSON PERKINS, SEWALL, WHITMORE Senators ANDREWS, BERUBE, BLACK, BUSTIN, CLARK, COLLINS, DOW, DUTREMBLE, ERWIN, ESTES, GAUVREAU, GILL, KANY, KERRY, MATTHEWS, RANDALL, THERIAULT, TUTTLE, TWITCHELL, USHER, THE PRESIDENT - CHARLES P. PRAY

ABSENT: Senator MAYBURY **EXCUSED:** Senator BRANNIGAN

PAIRED: Senators BALDACCI, WEBSTER

10 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 21 Senators having voted in the negative, with 2 Senators having paired their votes and 1 Senator being absent, and 1 Senator having been excused, the motion of Senator SEWALL of Lincoln, to INDEFINITELY

POSTPONE the Bill and Accompanying Papers, FAILED.
Which was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency

An Act to Conform the Hospital Care Financing System to Certain Federal Requirements Concerning the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services

H.P. 1550 L.D. 2110 (C "A" H-491)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 30 Members of the Senate, with No Senators having voted in negative, and 30 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency

An Act to Clarify the Status of Police Officers Assigned to the Bureau of Intergovernmental Drug Enforcement and to Add a District Attorney to the Bureau's Policy Board

S.P. 832 L.D. 2166 (S "A" S-343; C S = 340)

On motion by Senator DOW of Kennebec, the Senate SUSPENDED THE RULES.

On further motion by same Senator, the RECONSIDERED whereby the Bill was PASSED Senate TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended.

On further motion by same Se Amendment "B" (S-357) READ and ADOPTED. Senator. Senate

Which was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, as Amended in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

Emergency

An Act to Promote Harmony between Agriculture and Adjacent Development and to Protect the Public Health, Safety and General Welfare

H.P. 1842 L.D. 2522 (H "A" H-505 to H "A" H-488)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with No Senators having voted in negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was PASSED TO BE ENACTED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency Resolve
Resolve, to Name the New Bridge Between the Communities of Bucksport and Verona the "Dr. Edward Thegen Memorial Bridge"

H.P. 1669 L.D. 2287 (H "A" H-499)

This being an Emergency Measure and having received the affirmative vote of 31 Members of the Senate, with No Senators having voted in negative, and 31 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was FINALLY PASSED and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

RECALLED FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK

An Act to Establish a Presidential Primary in Maine

S.P. 123 L.D. 328 (H "A" H-484 to C "A" S-329)

(In Senate, March 21, 1988, PASSED TO BE ENACTED, in concurrence.)

(RECALLED from the Governor's Desk, pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 968, in concurrence.)

On motion by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot, the Senate SUSPENDED THE RULES.

On further motion by same Senator, the Senate RECONSIDERED whereby the Bill was PASSED TO BE FNACTED.

On further motion by same Senator, placed on the SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TABLE, pending ENACTMENT.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

ORDERS Joint Order

On motion by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec the following Joint Order:

S.P. 973

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources report out a bill to the Senate entitled "AN ACT Concerning Storage of Radioactive Material in Public Buildings."

Which was READ and PASSED. Sent down for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES STATE HOUSE STATION 28 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

March 24, 1988

Honorable Charles P. Pray President of the Senate Office of the President State House Station 3 Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear President Pray and Members of the Senate:

This 1987 report to the Maine State Legislature is submitted in response to legislation enacted in 1975 (P.L. c. 584; 7 MRSA §2, sub-§5). That law requires the Commissioner of Argiculture, Food and Rural Resources to annually recommend "methods of stimulating and encouraging the growth and modernization of agricultural enterprises in this State." Given the rapid changes facing agriculture nationally, this charge to maintain and expand agriculture in Maine requires long-range planning.

During the past year, the Department has completed a planning process to address the present and future needs and problems confronting Maine agriculture. We have also encouraged the commodity

groups to plan ahead for the future. In this report, we review recent accomplishments and describe the new initiatives we believe are necessary for a future that will allow us to best serve the agricultural community and the general public.

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Farmers, agricultural leaders, the Department and members of the Maine State Legislature can work together to develop a plan for the future of a strong

agriculture in Maine.

Sincerely, S/Bernard W. Shaw Commissioner

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ought to Pass As Amended

Senator ANDREWS for the Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on Bill "An Act to Establish the Maine Elderly Tax Assistance Program"

S.P. 880 L.D. 2283

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-358).

Which Report was READ and ACCEPTED.

The Bill READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-358) READ and ADOPTED. The Bill as Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING.

Senator MATTHEWS of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

On motion by Senator SEWALL of Lincoln, RECESSED until the sound of the bell.

After Recess Senate called to order by the President.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Resolve, Authorizing the Sale of Certain Public Lands Located in the City of Bangor

H.P. 1891 L.D. 2584 Resolve, Authorizing the Sale of Certain Public Lands Located in the City of Augusta

H.P. 1892 L.D. 2585

Come from the House referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ORDERED PRINTED.

Which were referred to the Committee on STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ORDERED PRINTED, in concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

On motion by Senator WHITMORE of Androscoggin, ADJOURNED until Friday, March 25, 1988, at 11:00 in the morning.